

Treasury Department,

Bureau of the Mint,

Washington, D. C. Dec. 13, 1899.

Hon. S. D. McNary,

United States Senate.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt from you of a letter from the Superintendent of Police Commissioners at New Orleans asking that Silas Frothingham late Captain of the Night Watch in the U. S. Mint be allowed to defend himself against charges recently filed against him. In response I would respectfully say that Mr. Frothingham was given an opportunity to make a defense and filed a written statement. Upon review of the case by this office the action of the Superintendent was approved.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.